

Monroe Police Department

Year End Report



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OUR VISION

The Monroe Police Department strives to be an organization of value-oriented people reflective of our diversity, dedicated to serving the community with integrity, honor, and fairness that all may know justice, equality, and freedom under the law.

Our Values

Employees of the Monroe Police Department are committed to the principles of duty, integrity, compassion, and professional growth.

We recognize the value of the tenets of:

Professionalism

Respect

Integrity

Dedication

Excellence

These values have been established through a collaborative effort among all personnel of this agency and are applied within the Monroe Police

Department Mission Statement:

Our Mission

The Monroe Police Department is dedicated to the pursuit of excellence in providing professional law enforcement services.

Chief's Message



I am pleased to present our 2015 Year End Report to you. This report highlights significant events that occurred each month and demonstrates our accomplishments and commitment to providing the highest quality police services possible to the community of Monroe. It is a great privilege to serve as Chief of a department that continually strives for professional excellence.

As we look to 2016, our department is working on a five year strategic plan to better serve the citizens of Monroe. This plan is designed to follow an already strong foundation that has been built over the years between the department and the citizens of Monroe. The police department will be gathering input from various members of the community to gain feedback and incorporate their ideas. The plan will identify our organization's priorities and represent our vision for the future. The men and women of the Monroe Police Department are proud to serve our community, and with this document as a guide, we will strive to achieve an even higher level of service.

We are also working to better connect with our residents through social media. You can find us on [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#) and [Nextdoor](#). The department also anticipates a new Crime Mapping program that will be available on our website later this year.

In closing, 2016 promises to be just one of many exceptional years to come for the Monroe Police Department and our community as we continue to strive toward a very bright future. I look forward to working with all of you as we promote and provide for public safety and security.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Jim [unclear]".



EMPLOYEE AWARDS

During the **2015 Monroe Police Department Awards** Ceremony, Chief Quenzer presented awards to the following individuals:

Chief's Award – Administrative Manager Sherri Simonson for her participation in the planning and implementation of the New World system not only for the Monroe Police Department but for the county.

“Distinguished Service” Award – Sergeant Brian Johnston for his outstanding work with the “Behind the Badge Foundation” and his service as the organization’s president.



Letters of Recognition – Sergeant Brian Johnston and Officer Jason Southard for their work with the New World System and becoming subject matter experts for the Monroe Police Department.

Letters of Recognition – Sergeant Rick Dunn, Officers Jake Carswell, Jon Richardson, Jason Southard, Shaun Van Eaton, and Community Service Officer LaDonna Whalen for the care they showed to three children in CPS’s custody upon learning that it was one of the children’s birthdays.

Letters of Recognition – Officers Trevor Larson, Joe Stark, Devin Tucker, and Detective Spencer Robinson for attending a young boy’s birthday party at Red Robin after learning that he would like to meet some police officers.

Letter of Recognition – Officer Shaun Van Eaton for his efforts to recover from an injury sustained at the police academy in 2014.

Letters of Commendation – Detectives Spencer Robinson and Tim Buzzell for their work in creating the Monroe Police Department program, “Shop with a Cop”.

Letters of Commendation – Sergeant Steve Clopp and Officer Wolf for their charitable assistance to families in need in the City of Monroe.

JANUARY

Dashing Dutchman Deli Burglary — January 16th

The Dashing Dutchman Deli was burglarized with the suspect making entry through the ceiling. Tip money was missing and physical damage was done to the business. The suspect, fully clothed with gloves, sweatshirt and coverings over his head and face has not been identified.



Jayme Biendl Run

The 4th annual Jayme Biendl run was a huge success! The event had approximately 500 participants with proceeds raised for the Behind the Badge Foundation. Behind the Badge Foundation supports the law enforcement agencies, families and communities after an officer has been seriously injured or killed in the line of duty.



***Detective Hatch
ran in full gear***

FEBRUARY

Burglary Arrest — February 19th

Officers responded to a reported burglary at the Snohomish County PUD substation in Monroe. They discovered a trail of wire scraps that led to a large pile of wire that was hidden in the blackberry bushes. Later that evening, an officer went into the area with the belief that the suspects would return for the wire after the hours of darkness. At approximately 6:20 pm the officer observed a vehicle pass his location and stop near the location of the wire. The two male occupants were arrested for Possession of Stolen Property / Trafficking Stolen Property.



Heroin Arrest — February 24th

On February 24th, officers contacted multiple people at Twin Rivers Chevron on West Main Street in Monroe. One of the occupants of the vehicle had gone into the restroom. As an officer approached the men's restroom, a male exited and upon seeing the officer ran to the ladies' restroom and locked the door. The officer ordered him to open the door, the subject did not comply and the officer heard a toilet flush. A key was obtained to gain entry as the officer heard the toilet flush again. Upon entry, the officer could see suspected Heroin lying all around the toilet and small chunks scattered throughout the restroom. The male admitted to having Heroin and a plastic bag with a large amount of brown substance was removed from his pocket. A female at the vehicle asked for her cigarettes that the male had. The officer retrieved the cigarette pack and saw a large chunk of brown substance in the pack. The male also had a digital scale with heavy brown residue on it. Officers collected the 46 grams of suspected Heroin to place in evidence. A male and female were transported to the Snohomish County Jail for booking on Possession of Controlled Substance with Intent to Deliver.

MARCH

Gaby Escalante joins our Administrative staff—March 9th



On March 9, 2015 Gaby joined our Administrative staff part-time to cover the front desk. The department was fortunate to hire her fulltime, October 1st.

Suspicious Circumstances — March 24th

Monroe PD assisted with a Fire Response to the discovery of a white powdery substance which was located by a DOC officer during the inspection of mail. The substance was rendered to be safe and found to be a non-health hazard.



APRIL

City of Monroe Egg Hunt



The 19th Annual Monroe Community Egg Hunt was held at Lake Tye Park. This event included free activities such as face painting, bouncy house, fun games, and arts and crafts.



MAY

Swearing-In Ceremony — May 5th

Officer Trevor Larson was officially sworn in as a Monroe Police Department officer on May 5th.



DUI Re-enactment — May 14th

The Monroe Police Department participated in a multi-agency DUI scene re-enactment at the Monroe High School. The event was scheduled to coincide with prom and serve as an important, timely message to not drink and drive.



Senior Volunteers

Two more individuals begin volunteering through the MPD Senior Volunteer Program:

Boyd Booze and **Johanna Keen**.



Dollar Tree Crash — June 20th

Officers responded to a vehicle that had crashed through the front door of the Dollar Tree store. A grandmother and her two grandchildren were treated for minor injuries. The driver complained of medical issues that were occurring at the time of the collision and she was transported to EvergreenHealth of Monroe. The store was open at the time of the collision, no customers were injured.



Al Borlin Park Clean Up

City personnel with assistance from Monroe Fire District 3 spent June 8-9 in Al Borlin Park removing materials and garbage in areas where people had set up living encampments throughout the 90 acre city park. Approximately 15-20 homeless people had been living at the park where overnight camping is prohibited. Those that were contacted were referred to service organizations such as the Handup Project, Take the Next Step, Community Advocates and local Chaplains to assist in finding other living options. It is estimated that 60-80 yards of debris was removed from the park.



JULY

Drowning — July 20th

Officers responded to the report of an individual in distress in the Skykomish River. The 59 year-old man that drowned had been with his family floating down the river; no one was wearing a life jacket. The Snohomish County Sheriff's dive team recovered the body.

Shoplift Arrest—July 28th



On July 28, 2016, Tracking K-9 “Nuke” and his partner, Officer Jason Southard, were called upon to track a suspect who had left Fred Meyer with a backpack full of stolen items. K-9 Nuke followed the track towards Evergreen Fairgrounds and “alerted” to a backpack that had been thrown by the suspect on the way. K-9 Nuke continued to the fairgrounds where Officers were able to catch up to the suspect and took him into custody on Robbery charges and two outstanding warrants.

AUGUST

Summer Lunch Program

The Monroe Police Department participated in the Monroe Public Schools' federally sponsored free summer lunch program at Frank Wagner Elementary School. The kids had a chance to check out Officer Javier Patton's police motorcycle



AUGUST continued

National Night Out — August 4th



High School Field Damage — August 5th

Officers responded to the report of a loud vehicle somewhere on the MHS campus. They stopped a SUV that was leaving the parking lot and discovered that the individuals had damaged a section of the stadium fence and then driven across a large portion of the field. The four occupants of the vehicle were charged with Malicious Mischief 1st Degree.



Hit & Run Arrest — August 5th

Officers responded to the report of a hit & run Collision with a possible suspect vehicle still in the area. Upon arrival, officers found two large waste oil containers that had been damaged and were leaking oil across the street and into a nearby creek. The driver of the suspect vehicle was arrested for Hit & Run of Unattended Property, Driving While License Suspended 3rd Degree, Operating Vehicle Without Insurance and Deposit of Unwholesome Substance.

SEPTEMBER

Academy Graduation — September 10th

Officer Shaun Van Eaton graduated from the CJTC Basic Law Enforcement Academy. He was also the recipient of the highest in his class for firearms award and was voted upon by his peers in recognition as the classmate they would most want to have as a Patrol Partner.



Walk Your Kids to School — September 15th

Officers join the kids to demonstrate how to safely walk to school.



Monroe Police vs. Fire Flag Football Fundraiser — September 19th

Monroe Police held onto the title as Flag Football Champions in the Monroe Boys & Girls Club Police versus Fire charity flag football game with a score of 18-6.

OCTOBER

Lateral Officer — October 12th

Officer Craig Robertson was hired on October 12th. He was previously an officer with Stevensville, MT and San Bernardino County Sheriff's Office. Officer Robertson graduated from the CJTC Equivalency Academy on November 6th.

Tip A Cop — October 24th

The Monroe Police Department partnered with Red Robin for the 2015 "Tip a Cop" campaign benefitting Washington Special Olympics. The donations accepted went 100% to benefiting Special Olympians in Snohomish County.

New World Go Live —October 27th

The Monroe Police Department along with more than 50 Snohomish County public safety and first responder agencies began a new unified dispatch and records-keeping system. This new system allows all agencies from police to fire to major incident teams to share information in a common format.



NOVEMBER

Citizen's Academy —November 24th

Twenty-four citizens graduated from the Monroe PD Citizen's Academy. The Citizen's Academy is an eight-week course to provide Monroe community members an academy setting with first-hand information about how their Police Department works.



DECEMBER

Shop With a Cop — December 16th

The 2nd Annual “Shop With a Cop” took place with 14 children participating. “Shop with a Cop” is an opportunity for Monroe Police Officers to make a positive contribution to the community by sharing Christmas with children and families who are in need. The children were given money at the store and allowed to spend it as they wished on gifts for themselves and their family members.



K-9 Jet —December 31st

Monroe Police K9 Jet officially retired ending three and a half years of service with the Monroe Police Department. The department benefited greatly from the valuable teamwork and experience he had with his partners and we will miss Jet and his true professionalism and drive.



Annual Sky Valley Food Bank Drive— The Monroe Police Officer Association (MPOA) and department personnel collect food to fill the can.

NATIONAL INCIDENT BASED REPORTING

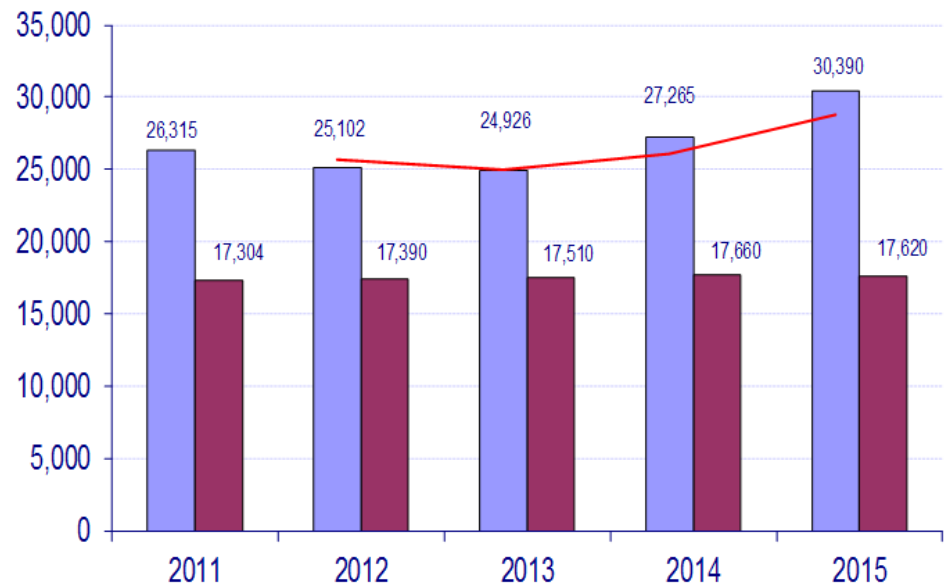
The Monroe Police Department collects crime statistics using a system called the [National Incident Based Reporting System](#) or NIBRS. Since 1930, the FBI has administered the Uniform Crime Reporting Program using statistics supplied by the various states.

NIBRS Offenses	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Murder and Non-Negligent Manslaughter	1	2	1	0	0
Forcible Sex Offenses	21	11	16	12	7
Robbery	5	8	7	11	17
Aggravated Assault	21	49	45	47	36
Simple Assault	130	129	142	118	125
Intimidation	3	7	3	3	9
Non-Forcible Sex Offenses	5	10	0	3	3
Kidnapping	3	1	1	1	1
Burglary/Breaking and Entering	82	104	92	65	52
Arson	2	2	2	6	0
Larceny	389	353	447	564	579
Motor Vehicle Theft	58	36	82	72	78
Extortion/Blackmail	0	0	0	0	0
Counterfeiting/Forgery	18	25	25	11	20
Fraud	37	36	43	80	50
Embezzlement	2	1	4	0	1
Stolen Property Offenses	13	25	22	35	19
Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property	152	124	185	141	146
Drug/Narcotic Offenses	189	173	145	156	138
Pornography/Obscene Material	0	1	2	0	1
Gambling Offenses	0	0	0	0	0
Prostitution Offenses	0	0	0	0	1
Bribery	0	1	0	0	0
Weapon Law Violations	20	11	13	10	8
Totals	1151	1109	1277	1335	1291

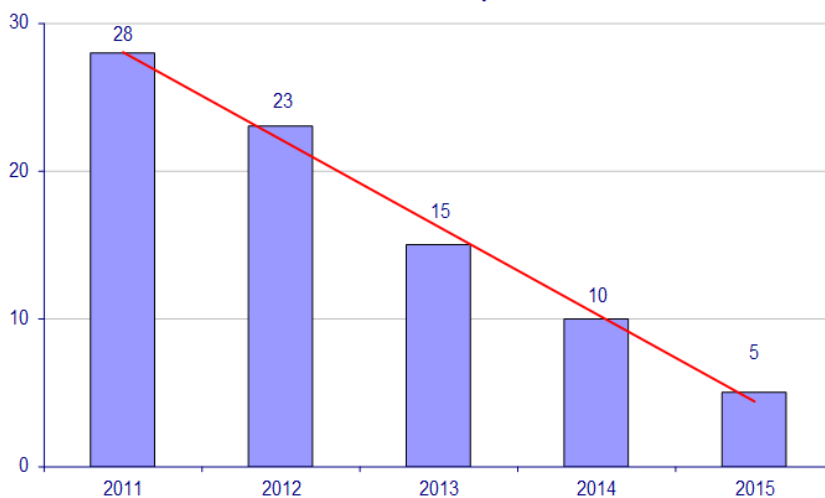
Calls for service reflect both calls that officers are dispatched to as well as calls that they self-initiate during the course of their duties.

Calls for Service vs Population

■ Calls For Service ■ Population

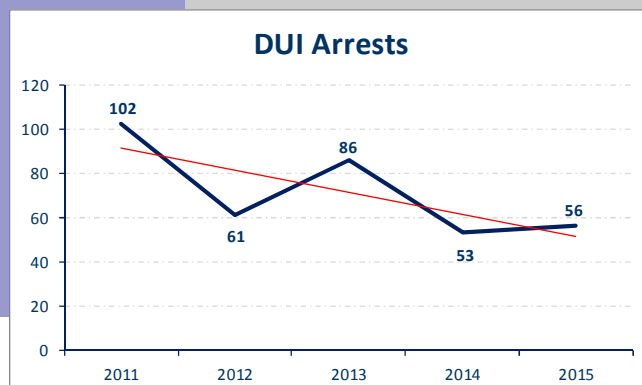
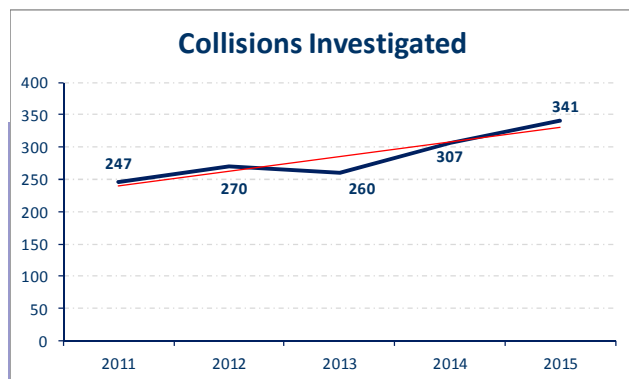


**Professional Standards Unit (PSU) Investigations
Five Year Comparison**



The Professional Standards Unit (PSU) oversees the formal process of handling complaints. This process is used for internal and external complaints. After the initial complaint is received it is investigated and based on the findings of the preliminary investigation a recommendation is made to either close the complaint as unfounded, handle it at the supervisory level or send it forward for a full investigation.

VIOLATION	NUMBER OF DRIVERS CONTACTED
Speeding 10 MPH over the posted limit	448
Speeding in a school zone	260
Use of cell phone while driving	228
Speeding 11 MPH over the posted limit	213
Speeding 12 MPH over the posted limit	189
Expired registration tabs	185
Speeding 13 MPH over the posted limit	166
Operating vehicle without insurance	165
Speeding 15 MPH over the posted limit	144
No valid driver's license	108
Total	2,106

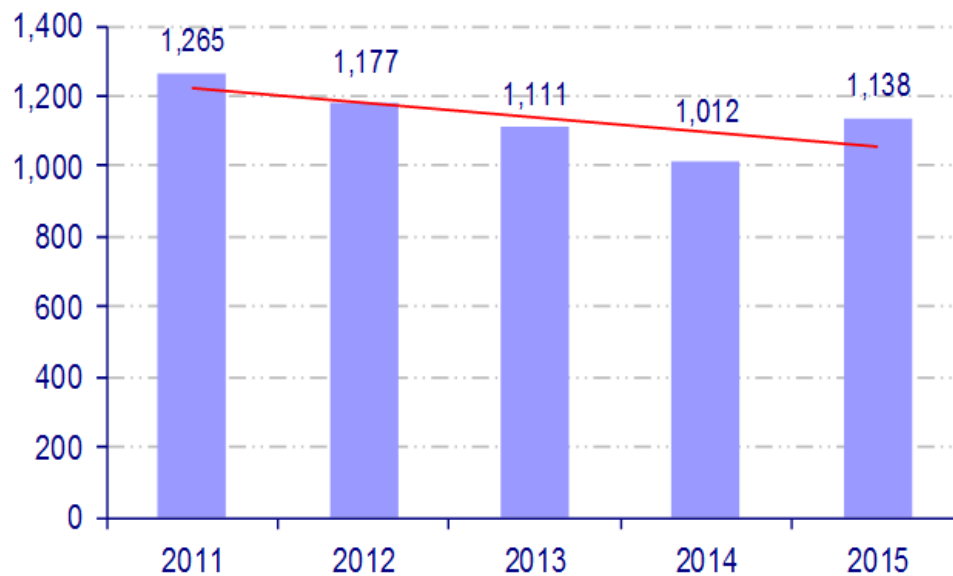


TOP TEN ARREST TYPES

OFFENSE	ARRESTS
Theft	248
Warrant Arrest	211
Assault	120
Possession of Controlled Substance	112
Driving Under the Influence	56
Driving While License Suspended	40
Trespassing	32
Search Warrant	28
Possession of Drug Paraphernalia	26
Burglary	24



Total Arrests





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